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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (CORRECTION PARA 2 AND 3)

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IN ACCEPTING A PETITION FROM THE ALL INDIA STUDENTS' CONGRESS WHICH
PEACEFULLY DEMONSTRATED AT THE AMERICAN LIBRARY BUILDING
(USIS) IN NEW DELHI TODAY, THE PAO MADE THE FOLLOWING REMARKS
WHICH WERE COVERED BY MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES, LARGELY AMERICAN.
THE TEXT IS BASED ON COMPOSITE NOTES.

QUOTE: IN ACCEPTING YOUR PETITION, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I HAVE
HEARD YOUR SLOGANS, SEEN YOUR PLACARDS, LISTENED TO YOUR SPEECHES.
MY PEOPLE, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, SUPPORTED YOUR STRUGGLE FOR
INDEPENDENCE, MY PEOPLE HAVE GIVEN THEIR HARD-EARNED TAXES --
SOME TEN BILLION DOLLARS OF THEM -- TO SUCCOR YOUR HUNGER, TO GIVE
YOUR COUNTRY A CHANCE TO BUILD -- IN FREEDOM.

QUOTE: IN THIS BUILDING IS HOUSED A FREE AMERICAN LIBRARY OPEN TO
ALL. THE LIBRARY CONTAINS ONLY AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS, MANY OF THEM
CRITICAL OF MY OWN COUNTRY AND ITS LEADERS, AS THEY MAY BE FROM
TIME TO TIME OF OTHER COUNTRIES AND THEIR LEADERS. BUT IT IS JUST
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NOT TRUE THAT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY HERE, OR USIS, HAS BEEN CRITICAL

OF YOUR PRIME MINISTER, OR WISHES HER ILL, OR HAS WORKED AGAINST HER.

QUOTE: IN THIS LIBRARY YOUR OWN LEADERS COME TO LOOK UP REFERENCE BOOKS. THOSE WHO WROTE YOUR CONSTITUTION CAME HERE TO STUDY OUR AMERICAN CONSTITUTION WHEN YOUR CONSTITUTION WAS BEING WRITTEN. FROM THIS LIBRARY HAVE NOT COME SPIES, BUT 10 MILLION LOW-COST TEXTBOOKS SELECTED FOR PRINTING BY YOUR GOVERNMENT TO HELP YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS LEARN ABOUT SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MEDICINE TO HELP YOU AND YOUR COUNTRY BUILD A BETTER LIFE.

QUOTE: I ACCEPT YOUR PETITION GLADLY AND TRUST THAT THE AUTHORITIES WHO HAVE AUTHORIZED THIS DEMONSTRATION WILL ALSO PERMIT ME TO MAKE KNOWN YOUR GRIEVANCES AND MY REPLY TO THEM -- IN THAT GREAT TRADITION OF FREE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS WHICH SO MANY OF US CHERISH AND WHICH OUR TWO NATIONS SHARE. I AM HAPPY THAT YOUR PETITION AND MY REPLY IS AVAILABLE TO YOUR PRESS AND TO THE PRESS OF THE WORLD REPRESENTED HERE TODAY. END QUOTE
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